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## SERIOUS INJURY, HIT AND RUN PEDESTRIAN COLLISION 7200 BLOCK EAST $22^{ND}$ STREET

On the early morning of December 24, 2011, the Tucson Police Department received information of a pedestrian-involved collision that occurred in the 7200 Block of East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. Officers from Operations Division East responded to the area to conduct an initial investigation into the circumstances of the collision. Upon arrival, officers located a **32-year old Caucasian female** suffering from serious injuries in the roadway. Tucson Fire Department emergency medical personnel responded to the scene as well and transported her to a local hospital for additional and more extensive emergency medial treatment. The injuries that the female sustained were severe. It is unknown if she will survive her injuries, as she is in critical condition, fighting for her life at the hospital. The vehicle that struck the female did not remain at the scene.

Detectives from the Traffic Investigations Unit responded to the scene in order to further the investigation. They examined and collected roadway evidence as well as interviewed witnesses at the scene. Thus far, their investigation has revealed that the female pedestrian was crossing East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street at approximately 2:06 a.m. on December 24, 2011. She was not in a crosswalk. The female had entered the roadway on the north side of the street and was attempting to cross to the south side of the street. While in the westbound traffic lanes of East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, a vehicle that was described as a newer model, red Chevrolet, full-sized, and lifted pick-up truck struck her. Witnesses described that the truck may have had tinted rear windows. It was last seen driving westbound on East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. It is unknown if the vehicle will have damage on it that resulted from the collision with the female pedestrian.

The Tucson Police Department is actively searching for the truck. Anyone with information about the truck or the incident is asked to call **911 or 88-Crime**.

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